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EXCISE

1205 S/O officer at the NMCC advised:

1. It is accepted as fact in the NMCC that the tanker Bucharest was stopped sometime this morning, but not known whether she was boarded. Mr. Moose, the Watch Officer, said the Command Center was really not in the know about this.

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Lebanese freighter ZARUWI. Time of Navy message unknown.

At 1720 Moose advised correction of previous as follows:

1. DD GEARING tracking the Bucharest for some hours, but has not yet boarded. During the night hours the Bucharest was lighted by US Navy flares. This may be the ship Rep. van Zandt referred to. Above info was garnered by Capt. Wright, Director of the NMCC, who got a look at the Navy Flag Plot situation chart.

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*Moose says things seem to be
loosening up in NMCC*

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